

Woods Hole, Mass.,

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Prof. M.R. Irwin,  
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Madison.

Dear Dr. Irwin,

I want to thank you first for helping to expedite the supply problem.

The Coolerator box you mentioned should be ideal as a basis for an incubator. It should take very little electrical work to fit it over as an incubator, and I think heating elements and thermostats should be readily available. The only alternative would be the construction of a small constant temperature room. If possible, a small electric outlet should be incorporated inside the box to accomodate a shaker or similar equipment which may be desired later.

Stainless steel is, of course, quite satisfactory for the refrigerator.

As to the microscopes, I would suggest that one Spenser inclined tube ~~box~~ model be purchased; for the second microscope that will be needed the Beck might be made do, but I should like a look at it first - can you hold the agents off on that?

My movements starting next Monday may make communications difficult; however, I shall be at Yale until Wednesday, and after that may be reached c/o Prof. F.J. Ryan, Zoology, Columbia Un., N.Y. 27.

It is possible that some mail may be addressed to me at Madison. I would appreciate its being held rather than any attempt made to forward it. Thanks again,

Yours sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg.